

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested. Claims 1 and 8 are amended, claims 4 and 11 are canceled, and claims 1-3, 5-10, and 12-13 are pending in the application.

Claims 3, 4, 6, 10, 11, and 13 were indicated as reciting allowable subject matter. Hence, independent claims 1 and 8 have been amended to include the limitations of respective dependent claims 4 and 11. Hence, it is believed this application is in allowable form.

In response to the Request for a copy of the IDS filed September 24, 2001, attached is a copy of the originally-filed Information Disclosure Statement with form PTO-1449, a copy of the cited reference by Cassiday ("InfiniBand™ Architecture Tutorial"), and a copy of the stamped PTO receipt. Hence, it is respectfully requested that the Information Disclosure Statement be considered under MPEP 609.


Claims 1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 12 were rejected under 35 USC §103(a) in view of Craddock et al. and Mahalingham et al. The amendments to independent claims 1 and 8 as described above renders this rejection moot.

In view of the above, it is believed this application is and condition for allowance, and such a Notice is respectfully solicited.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including any missing or insufficient fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a), to Deposit Account No. 50-0687, under Order No. 95-509, and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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